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HOUSE BILL No. 1381

DIGEST OF HB 1381 (Updated February 7, 2001 3:12 PM - DI 97)

Citations Affected: IC 5-10; noncode.

Synopsis: Mental health insurance coverage. Includes services for substance abuse and chemical dependency within the definition of "coverage of services for mental illness" for purposes of the law prohibiting the application of treatment limitations or financial requirements to coverage of services for mental illness under state employee health benefit plans if similar limitations or requirements do not apply to the coverage of services for other medical or surgical conditions. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the Indiana commission on mental health.)

Effective: July 1, 2001.

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January 11, 2001, read first time and referred to Committee on Insurance, Corporations and Small Business.
February 8, 2001, amended, reported — Do Pass.

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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2000 General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning insurance.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

- 1 SECTION 1. IC 5-10-8-9, AS AMENDED BY P.L.81-1999,
2 SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
3 JULY 1, 2001]: Sec. 9. (a) This section does not apply if the
4 application of this section would increase the premiums of the health
5 services policy or plan, as certified under IC 27-8-5-15.7, by more than
6 four percent (4%) as a result of complying with subsection (c).
7 (b) As used in this section, "coverage of services for mental illness"
8 includes benefits with respect to mental health services as defined by
9 the contract, policy, or plan for health services. ~~However,~~ The term
10 ~~does not include~~ **includes** services for the treatment of substance abuse
11 ~~or and~~ chemical dependency.
12 (c) If the state enters into a contract for health services through
13 prepaid health care delivery plans, medical self-insurance, or group
14 health insurance for state employees, the contract may not permit
15 treatment limitations or financial requirements on the coverage of
16 services for mental illness if similar limitations or requirements are not
17 imposed on the coverage of services for other medical or surgical

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2 (d) This section applies to a contract for health services through
3 prepaid health care delivery plans, medical self-insurance, or group
4 medical coverage for state employees that is issued, entered into, or
5 renewed after June 30, 1997.

6 (e) This section does not require the contract for health services to
7 offer mental health benefits.

8 SECTION 2. (a) **IC 5-10-8-9, as amended by this act, applies to**
9 **a contract for:**

10 (1) **health services through prepaid health care delivery plans;**

11 (2) **medical self-insurance; or**

12 (3) **group health insurance;**

13 **for state employees that is entered into, delivered, or renewed after**
14 **June 30, 2001.**

15 (b) **This SECTION expires June 30, 2004.**

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COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Your Committee on Insurance, Corporations and Small Business, to which was referred House Bill 1381, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill be amended as follows:

Page 2, line 8, delete "IC 12-17.6-4-2, AS ADDED BY P.L.273-1999," and insert **"(a) IC 5-10-8-9, as amended by this act, applies to a contract for:**

- (1) health services through prepaid health care delivery plans;**
- (2) medical self-insurance; or**
- (3) group health insurance;**

for state employees that is entered into, delivered, or renewed after June 30, 2001.

(b) This SECTION expires June 30, 2004."

Page 2, delete lines 9 through 42.

Delete pages 3 through 4.

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to HB 1381 as introduced.)

CROOKS, Chair

Committee Vote: yeas 10, nays 3.

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